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FROM AMBASSADOR

SECDEF FOR ISA

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EMBASSY HAS ALREADY AGREED TO MARCH 21-22 VISIT BY
MAJOR GENERAL GEORGE PATTON JR FROM USCINCEUR. I
SHALL BE PRESENTING MY LETTERS OF CREDENCE ON MARCH 15.
AS DEPT IS AWARE, COMMUNISTS HAVE BEEN ENJOYING
PRESS CAMPAIGN DESCRIBING ME AS MILITARIST, CIA AGENT,
ETC. IT IS REASONABLE TO EXPECT THAT MY PRESENTATION
OF LETTERS WILL ENGENDER SOME LOCAL PRESS COMMENT.
DO NOT REPEAT NOT BELIEVE EITHER PATTON OR SUMMER VISITS
CAN BE KEPT FROM PRESS AS I GATHER THEIR OBJECTIVE IS
CONSULTATION WITH LEBANESE ARMY OFFICIALS. IT IS THEREFORE
WITH GREAT REGRET THAT I CANNOT REPEAT NOT CONCUR IN
SUMMER'S VISIT AS CURRENTLY SCHEDULED. I SINCERELY TRUST,
HOWEVER, THAT HE WILL BE ABLE TO INCLUDE BEIRUT
IN HIS NEXT TOUR THROUGH THE AREA. SHOULD IT BE
DESIRED, I WOULD BE GLAD TO SEND DEFATT AND/OR
ARMY ATTACHE TO CONFER WITH SUMMER WHEREVER HE
WISHES IN THE AREA.
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